

Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

August 24, 2011

RE: Applications by T-Mobile and AT&T for consent to merge (WT Docket No. 11-65)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I currently serve as the Mayor of Rio Rancho, New Mexico's fastest growing city. Rio Rancho has densely populated areas where cell phone coverage is excellent along with rural areas where cell phone coverage is spotty. Residents of both areas deserve reliable, high-speed wireless broadband services and good cell phone coverage. Hence, I am writing in support of the AT&T merger with T-Mobile.

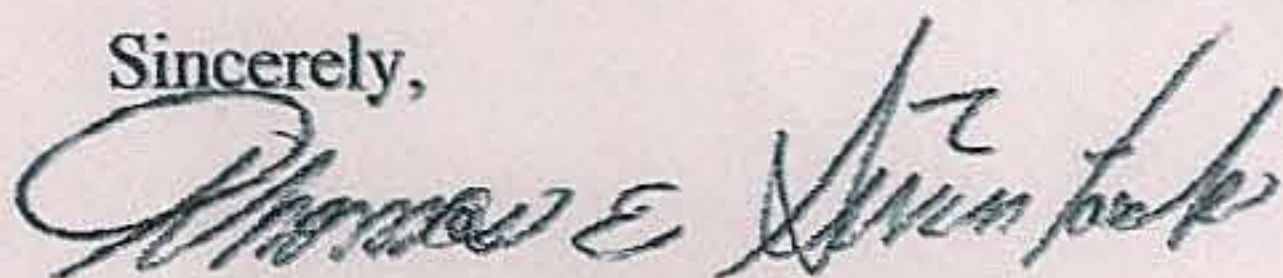
As Rio Rancho grows, its business community grows too. I believe this merger will allow the residents of Rio Rancho to more easily connect with their peers and business contacts. With consistent and strong wireless broadband and cell phone coverage, more Rio Rancho businesses will be able to use the full capabilities of smartphones and other devices. Staying abreast of revolutions in technology will help maintain Rio Rancho's prestigious reputation for having smart, reliable and easily accessible businesses.

Approving the AT&T merger with T-mobile will bring AT&T 4G LTE coverage to much of New Mexico. Increased access to AT&T's 4G LTE network will help attract even more businesses to Rio Rancho with the promise that they will receive fast broadband speeds.

Considering the exponential growth of mobile data traffic that AT&T has seen over the past four years, it makes sense the wireless company must grow in order to meet consumer demand for wireless broadband services. The merger gives AT&T that room to expand while ensuring New Mexico businesses have access to increasingly competitive wireless options.

Please accept this letter as my recommendation and approval of the merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Tom Swisstack", is written over the printed name.

Rio Rancho Mayor Tom Swisstack  
New Mexico